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FOLLOWING REPEAT LONDON 14028 ACTION INFO CANBERRA SECSTATE  
DATED 10/26/74.

QUOTE C O N F I D E N T I A L LONDON 14028

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E.O. 11652: XGDS-1

TAGS: PFOR, UN, SF, UK

SUBJECT: HIGH LEVEL APPROACH AGAINST EXPULSION OF SOUTH  
AFRICA FROM UN

REF: (A) STATE 236184 (B) CANBERRA 7033 (C) USUN 4430

1. WE MADE REQUEST INSTRUCTED BY PARA 2 REF (A) TO FCO  
UNITED NATIONS DEPARTMENT ASSISTANT HEAD SOLESBY ON  
OCTOBER 26. SHE IS SENIOR ACTION OFFICER IN FCO ON THIS  
QUESTION. WHILE SHE WAS UNABLE TO REACH SENIOR MINISTERS  
AT SATURDAY NOONTIME, SHE HAD EARLIER BEEN IN COMMUNICA-  
TION WITH OTHER HIGH LEVEL FCO OFFICIALS DURING AM OCT.

26 IN COURSE OF DEVELOPING UK POSITION ON USUN/UKUN/  
FRENCH MISSION TO UN INIATE DESCRIBED REF (C) AND THUS  
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WAS AWARE OF LATEST VIEWS OF MINISTERS ON QUESTION OF

FURTHER DEMARCHE TO AUSTRALIA ON SOUTH AFRICA PROBLEM.

2. SOLESBY SAID THAT SHE COULD SAY THAT FIRM UK POSITION IS NOW THAT NO FURTHER DEMARCHE SHOULD BE MADE TO GOA. ON OCTOBER 25, HIGHEST LEVEL UK CONSIDERATION WAS GIVEN TO A POSSIBLE WILSON-WHITLAM COMMUNICATION ASKING FOR GOA RECONSIDERATION BUT DECISION WAS TAKEN NOT TO DO THIS BECAUSE ALL UK OFFICIALS WERE AGREED THAT SUCH A REQUEST WOULD HAVE NO EFFECT ON WHITLAM'S POSITION.

3. FURTHER FACTOR IS REPORT RECEIVED LATE OCTOBER 25 THAT GOA HAS MADE PUBLIC FACT THAT IT FAVORS A UN RESOLUTION EXPELLING SOUTH AFRICA. SOLESBY SAID UK POSITION IS THAT THIS ACTION "DRAWS THE LINE UNDER" UK CONSIDERATION OF FURTHER DEMARCHES. SINCE THIS MEANS THAT GOA HAS MADE WHAT IS TANTAMOUNT TO AN ANNOUNCEMENT THAT IT WILL VOTE IN FAVOR OF ANNOUNCEMENT, UK CANNOT ASK FOR A CHANGE.

IN LIGHT OF THIS VERY FIRM POSITION ON PART OF UK AND IN LIGHT OF EFFORT TO COME UP WITH U.S./UK/FRENCH RESOLUTION WE WILL NOT PROCEED FURTHER WITH THE DEMARCHE ABOUT AUSTRALIA UNLESS FURTHER INSTRUCTED.  
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